COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY BEFORE THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

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In the Matter of

THE APPLICATION OF CINCINNATI BELL

TELEPHONE COMPANY FOR A CERTIFICATE

OF CONVENIENCE AND NECESSITY AUTHORIZING

IT TO BID ON A TELEPHONE FRANCHISE IN

THE CITY OF FALMOUTH, A CITY OF THE

FOURTH CLASS, PENDLETON COUNTY, KENTUCKY

CASE NO.

8897

ORDER

On September 1, 1983, Cincinnati Bell Telephone Company filed with the Commission its Application seeking a certificate of convenience and necessity to qualify it to bid on a telephone franchise from the City of Falmouth, Pendleton County, Kentucky. Under the provisions of KRS 278.020(3) no utility may apply for a franchise from any governmental agency until it has obtained a certificate of convenience and necessity from this Commission based on our finding that there is a need and demand for the service sought to be rendered.

The Commission finds that there is a need and demand for telephone service in the City of Falmouth, Pendleton County, Kentucky. Since the Commission's authority in such matters is limited by statute to finding only whether there is a need and demand for the service sought to be rendered, no finding or determination is made as to the validity of any of the provisions of the franchise offered by said city or the manner in which any franchise fee is to be treated for rate purposes.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED that Cincinnati Bell Telephone Company be and it hereby is granted a certificate of convenience and necessity which authorizes it to bid on a telephone franchise in the City of Falmouth, Pendleton County, Kentucky.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that Cincinnati Bell Telephone Company, if it becomes the successful bidder, file with this Commission a copy of the said franchise.

IT IS FURTHER ORDERED that this Order shall not be construed as granting a certificate of convenience and necessity to construct utility facilities in said city.

Done at Frankfort, Kentucky, this 12th day of September, 1983.

Commissioner Public Service Commission

Chairman

Commissioner

ATTEST:

Secretary